

middle and low income group people who do not own houses in Delhi due to the steep rise in rents of houses in the capital;

(b) if so, the steps taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard;

(c) whether the proposal for amendment of Delhi Rent Control Act, 1958 is under the consideration of the Government to solve the problem of rising rent of houses; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (d) The draft National Housing policy envisages measures to stimulate the supply of rental housing by facilitating the access to land, institutional finance, and building materials, by fiscal incentives, and by suitable modifications in rent control laws. The Government proposes to formulate a model rent control bill for liberalising the existing state rent control laws with due regard to the interest of both landlords and tenants, for facilitating expeditious disposal of cases, and for providing for rational fixation of rent under the laws. The amendment to Delhi Rent Control Act can be considered only after the model bill is finalised.

[*Translation*]

Employees of Nehru Yuvak Kendra

4381. SHRI GOVINDA CHANDRA MUNDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Class four employees working in Nehru Yuvak Kendra for the last fifteen years are not being confirmed;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government propose to make arrangements to regularise such employees of the said Ken-

dras who have rendered more than three years service; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT) (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) As per statement given below.

STATEMENT

The Class IV employees working in NYKs prior to the formation of an autonomous organisation namely the NYK Sangathan, in 1987, were employed by the District Youth Coordinators only on daily wages and were paid from the contingencies of the kendras. However, the Hon'ble Supreme Court vide their order dated 5-8-85 directed the Central Government to accord to the persons who were employed by the NYKs, the salary and other allowances as are being received by class IV employees of Central Govt., except regularization which cannot be done since there were no sanctioned posts.

Consequent upon the establishment of the NYK Sangathan in 1987 all the Class IV employees working with the NYKs were taken by the Sangathan on their strength under the provisions of the Service Regulations of the NYK Sangathan, 1987 and as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court's verdict dated 5-8-85 protected their salary and other allowances except regularization.

Another category of Class IV employees is those who were employed by the Sangathan itself, on contract basis and are being paid the basic pay of Rs. 700 + HRA @ 20% w.e.f. 1-1-90. In any case, these Class IV employees also cannot be considered for regularization, their status being contract employees

In view of the above, the class IV employees either employed by District Youth Coordinators, prior to the formation of Sangathan, on daily wages or employed by the NYK Sangathan on contract basis, ever since 1987, cannot be regularized. The NYK Sangathan is an autonomous organisation and has its own Service Regulations wherein there is no such provision for regularization of its employees.

Environmental Restrictions on Industries in Madhya Pradesh

4382. SHRI VISHWESHWAR BHAGAT: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of districts in Madhya Pradesh in which the setting up of big industries have been restricted by his Ministry; and

(b) whether the Government propose to reconsider this decision with a view to develop these districts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI KAMAL NATH): (a) The Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India have not restricted the setting up of big industries in any district of Madhya Pradesh.

(b) Does not arise.

[English]

Villages covered under National Literacy Mission in Pauri Garhwal District

4383. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages in Pauri Garhwal District covered under National literacy mission;

(b) whether Government have assigned the above task to voluntary organisations; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rural Functional Literacy Project (RFLP), there was one project of 300 Adult Education Centres operating in Rik-hnikhal, Pokhara and Akeshwar Blocks of Pauri Garhwal District. The Centre location is at village level which keeps on changing after saturating the area one after another.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Welfare Scheme for the workers engaged in Village and Cottage Industries

4384. SHRI BHUWAN CHANDRA KHANDURI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the names of villages and cottage industries in Pauri Garhwal and Chamoli;

(b) the details of labour welfare schemes undertaken for the workers engaged in such industries;

(c) whether non-implementation of the welfare scheme is a great set back for the industry, leaving thereby the interest of the workers in jeopardy; and

(d) if so, the reasons for non-implementation of welfare schemes?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI PABAN SINGH GHATOWAR): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Expenditure on Official Residences of P.M. and Ministers

4385. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the expenditure on the maintenance, repair, renovation, reconstruction and for furnishing the official